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ONLINE EDUCATION SYSTEM AND METHOD

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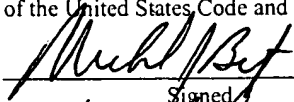
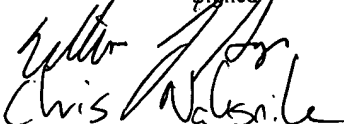
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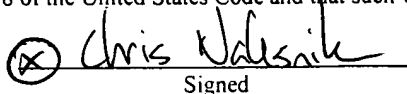
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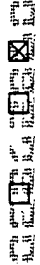
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Type of Small Entity:

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☒ Small Business Concern  
☐ Non-Inventor Support a Claim by Another  
☐ Non-Profit Organization

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Empty box for Other Small Entities Having an Interest in Invention.

#### IDENTIFICATION OF DECLARANT AND RIGHTS AS A SMALL ENTITY

If the Independent Inventor box is checked above, I hereby declare that I am an independent inventor as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(c).

If the Non-Inventor Supporting a Claim by Another box is checked above, I hereby declare that I am making this verified statement to support a claim by the above-identified inventor for a small entity status, and I hereby declare that I would qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(c), if I had made the above-identified invention.

If the Small Business Concern box is checked above, I hereby declare that I am either the owner or an empowered official of the above-identified small business concern, and that the concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. § 121.12, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement: (1) the number of employees of the business concerns is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year; and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

If the Non-Profit box is checked above, I hereby declare that the above-identified small concern is a Non-Profit Organization and that I am an official empowered to act on behalf of said concern, and that said concern either: (a) is a University or other institution of higher education (b) is tax exempt under 26 U.S.C. §§501 (1) and 501(c)(3); (c) is a nonprofit scientific or educational entity qualified under a statute of a state of the United States of America; or (d) would qualify under one of the foregoing subsections (b) or (c) if located in the United States of America.

#### OWNERSHIP OF INVENTION BY DECLARANT

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law remain with and/or have been conveyed to the above-identified small entity, except, that if the rights held are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is identified as an Other Small Entity above, and no rights to the invention are held: (a) by any person who could not be classified as an Independent Inventor if that person had made the invention; (b) any concern which would not qualify as a Small Business Concern; or (c) a non-profit Organization, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DUTY TO NOTIFY PTO OF STATUS CHANGE

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate.

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